



NEWS FROM THE DIRECTOR MAY 2016

CALENDAR

May

- 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ day all schools. Snack is provided at 3 PM on all $\frac{3}{4}$ days.
- 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ day all schools. Snack is provided at 3 PM on all $\frac{3}{4}$ days.
- 18 $\frac{3}{4}$ day all schools. Snack is provided at 3 PM on all $\frac{3}{4}$ days.
- 25 All schedule changes and payments for next month must be complete by today.
- 26 Drop-In sign-up for June opens today.
 $\frac{3}{4}$ day all schools. Snack is provided at 3 PM on all $\frac{3}{4}$ days.
- 30 **KIDS' CLUB is CLOSED for MEMORIAL DAY.**

June

- 1 2016-2017 SCHOOL YEAR FORMS PACKETS will be available in hard copy at KIDS' CLUB or on our web site www.bedfordma.gov/kidsclub. Families must complete a FORMS PACKET for each child attending KIDS' CLUB before their child(ren) can attend Summer Fun 2016. FORMS PACKETS are due back June 17th to ensure your child a space in Summer Fun.
- 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ day all schools. Snack is provided at 3 PM on all $\frac{3}{4}$ days.
- 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ day all schools. Snack is provided at 3 PM on all $\frac{3}{4}$ days.
- 15 $\frac{3}{4}$ day all schools. Snack is provided at 3 PM on all $\frac{3}{4}$ days.
- 17 FORMS PACKETS are due for all children registered for SUMMER FUN 2016.
- 20 Early Release and Last Day of school for Kindergarten through 5th Grade, Children must bring a lunch and a beverage. Snack is provided at 3:00 PM on $\frac{1}{2}$ days.
Walking Trip to Bedford Farms for ice cream, a Popsicle alternative is available.
- 21 First day of Summer Fun. Summer Fun July payment is due today.




SUMMER FUN 2016 REGISTRATION

Registration forms for Summer Fun 2016 are available by the front desk and on our web site. The first day of Summer Fun is Tuesday, June 21st for all grades.

PLEASE NOTE: This summer, supervised escort is being made available between KIDS' CLUB Summer Fun and the specific Recreation Department programs listed below. Parents who would like to take advantage of this service **must indicate their request on the Summer Fun (SF) form in the area provided at the time of registration. KIDS' CLUB will only provide supervised escort for those children who are registered in advance.** Families not arranging for this service by the deadline, May 27, 2016, will be responsible for their child's transport between programs. ***There will be no exceptions!***





The Recreation Department programs are listed in the Recreation Spring & Summer Brochure.

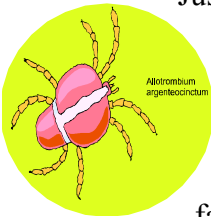
Feel free to contact KIDS' CLUB with questions at 781-275-5427.

SCHOOL YEAR 2016-17 REGISTRATION

In order to accommodate all families that requesting childcare at KIDS' CLUB, we are required by our licenser to provide adequate staffing. Planning for this requires knowing how many children will require care for the upcoming school year. While it is understandable that some families simply cannot foresee their child care needs three months in advance, we urge those who do anticipate needing child care to register as soon as possible. **Last minute registrations may not be accommodated.** Thanks to all of our families for understanding and planning accordingly.



OUTSIDE PLAY



Just a reminder, with the warmer weather the children will be spending more time outside. We live in area where deer ticks thrive and it is a good idea to check your child daily for ticks, so they can be removed easily. Deer ticks are very small, about the size of a pencil tip, and can carry and transmit Lyme disease. For more information about Lyme disease, please refer to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health fact sheet <http://www.mass.gov/Eeohhs2/docs/dph/cdc/factsheets/lyme.pdf>

FOOTWEAR

Please note that for safety reasons, closed-toe footwear is required for children playing active games, inside, and outdoors. If your child chooses to wear flip-flops, "Crocs", or a similar type of open-toe shoe to KIDS' CLUB, **they will need to bring sneakers to change into for playing** in the Active Room and outside. Let's keep their feet safe!



KIDS' CLUB GOOD-DEED-DOERS NEED YOUR HELP!!

Many thanks to all those families who have already donated to the collection of items that will be donated the Bedford Food Pantry by our 3-5 Group. Helping the children succeed in this outreach effort benefits many.





THE SEASON FOR SUNSCREEN

We at KIDS' CLUB are thoroughly enjoying the spring sunshine! In order to be safe in the process, we are reminding parents to send in their child's sunscreen product labeled with the child's name. We will have each child store their sunscreen in their cubby. It is our program policy that our staff members do not apply sunscreen to the children. However, we will assist your child to ensure that the sunscreen is applied properly.



A MESSAGE FROM OUR DIRECTOR

Hello Bedford Families! I just wanted to take a moment to thank all of you for welcoming me here to Kids Club. The kids and staff are all so wonderful and I look forward to getting to know each and every one of them. Please feel free to contact me directly if you have any concerns or questions @ skinney@bedford.ma.gov

Warm Regards,

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